

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

When performing remote copying between different apparatuses on a network, authentication of a user ID at the original-reading side is appropriately performed. A copying machine, serving as an image reading apparatus, selects and connects a copying machine, serving as an image forming apparatus according to an input operation of an operator. The copying machine, serving as the image forming apparatus, transmits a request for input of an ID after being connected. The copying machine, serving as the image reading apparatus, transmits an ID according to an input operation of an operator, and the copying machine, serving as the image forming apparatus, transmits information relating to permission/prohibition of reading based on the received ID. The copying machine, serving as the image reading apparatus, reads an image of an original based on the information relating to the permission/prohibition, compresses an image signal representing the read image and transmits the compressed image signal to the copying machine, serving as the image forming apparatus. The copying machine, serving as the image forming apparatus, expands the compressed image signal, and then prints the corresponding image.